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Intended for use in school library media centers for grades kindergarten through 12, this annotated bibliography is designed to help library media specialists select new reference materials and examine the existing reference collection for currency and accuracy. The bibliography represents a basic collection and is limited to 330 of the best available titles. It includes resources relevant to most of the subject areas encountered at the elementary, middle, and high school levels. The collection is arranged alphabetically by subject and the information provided for each entry includes bibliographical data on the work together with its latest price and International Standard Book Number (ISBN) or, where applicable, the International Standard Serial Number (ISSN). To the left of each entry is a boxed letter code indicating the estimated level of usefulness: "E" (elementary); "M" (middle school); and "H" (high school). "E+" denotes all levels, and "M+" indicates middle and high school levels. Also included in this bibliography are a statement of compliance with the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and a list of the State Board of Education's members and committees. (MAB)

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FOREWORD

A well-chosen, current reference collection is the backbone of every school library media center. Without this resource, students and faculty are handicapped in their search for accurate information to meet specific needs and to answer questions raised through intellectual curiosity. The purpose of this publication is to help library media specialists select new reference materials and examine existing reference collections for currency and accuracy.

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INTRODUCTION

This publication is designed for use in school library media centers, kindergarten through Grade 12. A basic collection, it is limited to 330 of the best available titles. Included are resources relevant to most of the subject areas encountered at elementary, middle, and high school levels. The titles listed are suggestions only; every library media center will not require all of them. Selection of reference sources, as with all library materials, should reflect the needs of the school's students and teachers.

The arrangement is alphabetical by subject. To the left of each entry is a boxed letter code indicating the estimated level of usefulness: E (elementary), M (middle school), and H (high school); E+ denotes all levels, and M+ indicates middle and high school levels. Entries include bibliographical data, latest prices, and ISBN (International Standard Book Number) or, where applicable, the ISSN (International Standard Serial Number). Most entries also include a brief descriptive note.

GENERAL WORKS

PERIODICAL INDEXES

E — *CHILDREN'S MAGAZINE GUIDE; SUBJECT INDEX TO CHILDREN'S MAGAZINES.* Patricia Sinclair, ed. Children's Magazine Guide, 1948 to date. Nine issues per year, $30 (R.R. Bowker, Order Dept., P.O. Box 762, NY, NY 10011). Provides indexing for 35 titles for young people and nine for educators.

E+ — *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC INDEX, 1947-1988.* National Geographic Society, 1989. $13.95 0-87044-510-3. This volume is a required acquisition for most libraries.

M+ — *READERS' GUIDE TO PERIODICAL LITERATURE.* H.W. Wilson, 1905 to date. Semimonthly March, April, Sept., Oct., and Dec.; monthly in Jan., Feb., May, June, July, Aug., and Nov. Quarterly cumulations Feb., May, Aug., and Nov. Annual cloth-bound cumulations. $130/yr. ISSN 0034-0464. Some libraries may opt to subscribe to the *Abridged Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature*, H.W. Wilson, 1936 to date. Monthly except June through Aug.; indexing for these months is included in the Sept. issue. $75/yr. The unabridged version indexes about 190 periodicals, while the abridged indexes about 70 titles.

ALMANACS

E, M — *THE DOUBLEDAY CHILDREN'S ALMANAC.* John Grisewood. George Beal, ed. Doubleday, 1986. 320p. $17.95 0-385-23408-2. This title is designed to meet children's interests and needs.

E+ — *INFORMATION PLEASE ALMANAC.* Information Please Pubs. Annual 1989 ed., $12.95. Although intended for adults, this book is useful on all levels.

E, M — *THE MACMILLAN BOOK OF FASCINATING FACTS: AN ALMANAC FOR KIDS.* Ann Elwood and C.C. Madigan. Macmillan, 1989. 436p. $16.95 0-02-733461-9. This almanac covers everyday concerns and interests of children.

E+ *Texas Almanac and State Industrial Guide.* A.H. Belo; distr. by Texas Monthly Press. Biennial. 1988/89 ed., $14.95 0-914511-1; $8.95pa. 0-914511-05-X. All school libraries in Texas need this biennial.

E+ *World Almanac and Book of Facts.* Newspaper Enterprise Assoc. Annual. 1989 ed., $12.95. This standard is a first purchase for all libraries.

ENCYCLOPEDIAS

E+ *Academic American Encyclopedia.* Grolier. 21v. Write for price information. The focus is upon short, factual articles.

E+ *Compton's Encyclopedia and Fact Index.* Compton's Learning Co., div. of Encyclopaedia Britannica. 26v. Write for price information. *Compton's* has been criticized during recent years for its lack of currency. The set was completely revised in 1989. A CD-ROM version is also available.

E, M *Enciclopedia Barsa.* Encyclopaedia Britannica, 1985. 16v. $799. This set meets general reference needs in libraries requiring a Spanish language encyclopedia.

M+ *Encyclopedia Americana.* Grolier. 30v. Write for price information. This is a reliable, authoritative set, which will meet the needs of most secondary schools.

E *New Book of Knowledge.* Grolier. 21v. Write for price information. This encyclopedia is designed specifically to meet the needs of elementary school children.

E *Picture Encyclopedia for Children.* John Paton, ed. Putnam/Grosset, 1987. 380p. $19.95 0-448-18999-2. This beginning encyclopedia for Grades 2-4 will meet the needs of elementary schools.

E+ *World Book Encyclopedia.* Field Enterprises. 22v. Write for price information. This well-known set is a first choice for all school libraries.

FACT BOOKS

E+ *FAMOUS FIRST FACTS.* 4th ed. Joseph Nathan Kane. H.W. Wilson, 1981. 1,350p. $78 0-8242-0661-4. A wide range of U.S. firsts such as events, inventions, discoveries, etc. are included.

E+ *GUINNESS BOOK OF WORLD RECORDS.* Robin McWhirter, ed. Sterling. Annual. 1989 ed. $16.95 0-8069-0277-9. This book of world superlatives should be duplicated in the circulating collection.

H *THE NEW YORK PUBLIC LIBRARY DESK REFERENCE.* Webster's New World, 1989. $30 0-13-620444-9. This volume includes the most frequently sought information—people, events, movements, and discoveries, as well as facts, dates, terms, and symbols.

E+ *READER'S DIGEST BOOK OF FACTS.* Reader's Digest Editors. Reader's Digest Assoc., 1987. 416p. $24.95 0-89577-256-6. Facts related to people, places, science, technology, and animals will interest elementary grade students.

SPECIALIZED WORKS

ALCOHOLISM

M+ *ENCYCLOPEDIA OF ALCOHOLISM.* Robert O'Brien and Morris Chafetz. Facts on File, 1982. 352p. $40 0-8719-6623-9. Some 500 articles treat physical, psychological, and socioeconomic consequences of abuse, as well as current treatments, cultural differences in use, and related topics.

ANTHROPOLOGY

E+ *ATLAS OF THE NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN.* Carl Waldman. Facts on File, 1985. 288p. $29.95 0-87196-850-9. One hundred twenty maps illustrate topics such as locations of tribes from ancient times to the present, wars, intertribal conflicts, and important events.

E+ *A Concise Dictionary of Indian Tribes of North America.* Barbara A. Leitch. Reference Publications, 1980. 646p. $59.95 0-917256-09-3. Brief profiles of some 275 Indian tribes will enrich curriculum units.

ARCHAEOLOGY

M+ *Atlas of Ancient America.* Michael Coe et al. Facts on File, 1986. $40 0-8160-1199-0. This excellent introduction to prehistory of the continents treats North, Middle, and South America.

E+ *The Field Guide to Early Man.* David Lambert and the Diagram Group. Facts on File, 1987. 256p. $21.95 9-8160-1517-7. This title discusses evolution, comparative anatomy, origins and evolution of primates, and fossil and artifactual evidence of early humans.

H *Hammond Past World: The Times Atlas of Archaeology.* Hammond, 1988. $85 0-7230-0306-8. The human story through maps, photos, and illustrations, including the civilizations of Greece, Rome, India, Persia, and China is covered.

ARCHITECTURE

E, M *Architects Make Zigzags: Looking at Architecture from A to Z.* Roxie Munro. Preservation Press, 1986. 64p. $8.95pa. 0-89133-121-2. Twenty-six words related to architecture are defined in double-page, easy-to-understand discussions.

H *A Chronology of Western Architecture.* Doreen Yarwood. Facts on File, 1987. 224p. $29.95 0-8160-1861-8. This time line of development takes into consideration trends and influences—economic, political, religious, social, technological, etc.

E+ *A Field Guide to American Homes.* Virginia McAlester and Lee McAlester. Knopf, 1984. $30 0-394-73969-8. Extensive information on American homes from the 17th Century to the 1970's is included, supported by drawings and photographs.

ART

M+ *ENCYCLOPEDIA OF VISUAL ARTS.* Sir Lawrence Gowing, ed. Prentice-Hall, 1983. 2v. v.1: *A History of Art*. 992p. $60 0-13-276527-6; v.2: *A Biographical Dictionary of Artists*. 784p. $40 0-13-276535-7; $115/set 0-13-276543-8. These beautifully illustrated volumes feature color reproductions and photographs.

E+ *HISTORY OF ART FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.* 3d ed. rev. H.W. and Anthony F. Janson. Abrams, 1987. 472p. $29.95 0-8109-1098-5. This rewritten version of a well-known art history for adults provides excellent coverage of western painting, sculpture, and architecture from the earlier times to this century.

H *THE OXFORD DICTIONARY OF ART.* Ian Childers & Harold Osborne. Oxford University Press, 1988. 548p. $45 0-19-866133-9. The coverage is from prehistoric to modern times.

M+ *THE THAMES & HUDSON DICTIONARY OF ART TERMS.* Edward Lucie-Smith. Thomas Hudson; distr. by Norton, 1984. 208p. $11.95 pa. 0-500-23389-6. Over 2,000 terms are clearly and concisely defined.

M+ *WORLD ARTISTS 1950-1980.* Claude Marks. H.W. Wilson, 1984. 918p. $78 0-8242-0707-6. This work includes over 300 interestingly written biographies of artists—their lives, works, styles, etc.

ASTRONOMY

M+ *THE EXTRATERRESTRIAL ENCYCLOPEDIA: OUR SEARCH FOR LIFE IN OUTER SPACE.* Joseph A. Angelo, Jr. Facts on File, 1985. 272p. $29.95 0-87196-764-2. This source book on space exploration and search for life on other planets contains some 400 alphabetically arranged, topical articles.

H *INTERNATIONAL ENCYCLOPEDIA OF ASTRONOMY.* Patrick Moore, ed. Crown, 1987. 464p. $40 0-517-56179-4. This extensive work is a first choice for high schools.

E, M *NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC PICTURE ATLAS OF OUR UNIVERSE.* Roy A. Gallant and Margaret Sedeen. National Geographic Society, 1980. 276p. $18.95 0-87044-357-7. Despite its publication date, this work is still a worthwhile purchase.

E | *Star Guide.* Franklyn Mansfield Branley. Crowell, 1987. 64p. $11.95 0-6900-4350-3; $11.89PLB. 0-6900-04351-1. Star charts, black holes, and other phenomenon are discussed in easy-to-understand terms.

Ballet

M+ | *The Concise Oxford Dictionary of Ballet.* 2d ed. Horst Koegler. Oxford University Press, 1982. 459p. $17.95pa. 0-19-311330-9. All aspects of ballet–choreographers, dancers, composers, literary sources of ballet, and terms–are included.

Biography

M+ | *Concise Dictionary of American Biography.* 3d ed. Complete to 1960. Scribner's, 1980. 1,333p. $75 0-684-16631-3. A condensed version of *Dictionary of American Biography*, Scribner's, 1946, 11v. plus index, $95/v., index $12.95pa. Supplements 1-9, 1944-1989, $70/ea. DAB is the most distinguished U.S. biographical source available. The *Concise* work contains more than 17,000 brief entries for noteworthy deceased persons but does not include persons covered in the last four supplements.

M+ | *Current Biography Yearbook.* H.W. Wilson. 1988 ed., $48. Libraries also may wish to subscribe to monthly *Current Biography* (1989, $48/yr.), which cumulates into the *Yearbook*. Those holding a long run of the *Yearbook*, will require the *Cumulative Index*, 1940-1985 (1986. 125p. $18 0-8242-0722-X). This work includes contemporary leaders in all fields of human endeavor from throughout the world.

M+ | *Encyclopedia of World Biography.* Publisher's Guild. Reprint of 1973 set. 12v. $550/set 0-07-079567-3. Some 5,000 deceased world leaders from all times are discussed in articles that vary from 500 to 3,500 words in length.

M+ | *Encyclopedia of World Biography.* Supplement to 1973 ed. Publisher's Guild, 1987. 4v. $229/set 0-910081-02-6. This set supplements the above work by adding over 1,000 important world figures from this century.

M+ | *Notable American Women, 1607-1950: A Biographical Dictionary.* Belknap Press of Harvard University Press, 1971. 3v. $40pa. 0-674-62734-2. Some 1,350 women of significance are discussed in articles that vary in length but are generally several pages.

M+ *Notable American Women: The Modern Period.* Harvard University Press, 1980. 773p. $48 0-674-62732-6; 1983. $12.95pa. 0-674-62733-4. This supplement adds 442 women of significance to the above work.

E+ *Webster's American Biographies.* Charles Van Doren, ed. Merriam-Webster, 1975. 1,248p. $18.95 0-97779-253-4. Brief entries cover important persons in our history.

E+ *Webster's New Biographical Dictionary: A Dictionary of Noteworthy Persons with Pronunciations and Concise Biographies.* Merriam, 1983. 1,694p. $21.95 0-87779-543-6. Brief entries cover some 40,000 persons from all countries and all times.

Biology

H *The Cambridge Encyclopedia of Life Sciences.* Adrian Friday and Davis S. Ingram, eds. Cambridge University Press, 1985. 432p. $47.50 0-521-25696-8. This is a highly authoritative work which covers all major topics for the field.

H *The Cambridge Illustrated Dictionary of Natural History.* R.J. Lincoln and G.A. Boxshall. Cambridge, 1987. 413p. $24.95 0-521-30551-9. This book covers the entire spectrum of life—plants, animals, and microorganism.

Birds

E+ *The Encyclopedia of Birds.* Christopher M. Perrins and Alex L.A. Middleton, eds. Facts on File, 1984. 480p. $45 0-8160-1150-8. Dazzling photographs, over 400 in color, illustrate articles on 180 bird families. An outstanding work.

E+ *Field Guide to the Birds of Texas and Adjacent States.* Roger Tory Peterson. Houghton Mifflin, 1963. 304p. $18.95 0-395-08087-8. This is the standard field guide to Texas birds.

BOTANY

E+ *FLOWERS.* Alexander C. Martin and Herbert S. Zim. Golden Press/Western, 1950. 160p. $3.95pa. 0-307-24054-1. This small field guide has been a standard for almost 30 years.

E+ *KNOWING YOUR TREES.* Rev. ed. G.H. Collingwood and Warren D. Brush. American Forestry Assoc., 1979. 389p. $9.50 0-686-26731-1. Importance, uses, descriptions, and discussions of 188 species of U.S. trees are included.

M+ *POPULAR ENCYCLOPEDIA OF PLANTS.* Vernon H. Heywood and Stuart R. Chant, eds. Cambridge University Press, 1982. 368p. $42.50 0-521-24611-3. This volume contains over 2,000 brief articles on plant species including trees, herbs and spices, and plants used for medicines.

M+ *ROADSIDE FLOWERS OF TEXAS.* Howard S. Irwin. Paintings by Mary Motz Wills. University of Texas Press, 1975. Reprint of 1961 ed. 295p. $12.95pa. 0-292-77009-X. This classic work has been a standard for almost 30 years.

M+ *TREES, SHRUBS AND WOODY VINES OF THE SOUTHWEST.* Robert A. Vines. University of Texas Press, 1960. 1,116p. $52.50 0-292-73414-X. This is the most extensive guide available for our area.

E+ *WILDFLOWERS OF TEXAS.* Geyata Ajilvsgi. Shearer, 1984. 414p. $21.95 0-94067246-4. $11.50pa. This handsome color-coded volume covers Texas flora.

BUSINESS

H *BARRON'S FINANCE AND INVESTMENT HANDBOOK.* John Downs and Jordan Elliot Goodman. Barron's, 1986. 994p. $18.95 0-8120-5729-5. This is the best introductory handbook available on such topics as types of personal investments and how to read annual reports and the financial pages of the newspaper.

H *DOW JONES-IRWIN BUSINESS & INVESTMENT ALMANAC.* Dow Jones-Irwin. Annual. 1989 ed., $29.95 1-55623-136-9. Ready-reference materials on all aspects of business are included.

H | *Webster's Secretarial Handbook.* 2nd ed. Merriam, 1984. 550p. $10.95 0-97779-136-8. This volume covers basic information on writing–punctuation, grammar, style, capitalization, etc.–as well as on office functions such as records management.

H | *Secretary's Almanac and Fact Book.* Mary A. DeVries. Prentice-Hall, 1985. 425p. $21.95 0-13-798307-7. This how-to desk reference contains an abundance of useful material.

Butterflies

E+ | *Audubon Society Field Guide to North American Butterflies.* Audubon Society Staff and Robert M. Pyle. Knopf, 1981. 916p. $14 0-493-51914-0. This excellent guide covers all 670 species found in North America.

Careers

H | *The Encyclopedia of Careers and Vocational Guidance.* 7th ed. William E. Hopke. Ferguson, 1987. 3v. $89.95/set 0-89434-083-2. Volume 1 is an overview of more than 70 career fields, Volume 2 covers specific information on a variety of occupations–anthropologist to gas station attendant, and Volume 3 addresses technical careers.

M+ | *The Jobs Rated Almanac.* Les Krantz, ed. World Almanac, 1988. 348p. $14.95pa. 0-88687-307-X. This volume rates jobs based on salary, stress, work environments, security, perks, and physical demands.

M+ | *Occupational Outlook Handbook.* Bureau of Labor Statistics. U.S. Government Printing Office. Biennial. 1988-89 ed. $22pa. S/N 029-001-02942-8. This essential guide provides current information on some 800 occupations.

Chemistry

H | *Facts on File Dictionary of Chemistry.* Rev. ed. John Daintith, ed. Facts on File, 1988. $19.95 0-8160-1866-9. This outstanding work includes clear definitions of chemical terms.

H	*Lange's Handbook of Chemistry*. 13th ed. John A. Dean, ed. McGraw-Hill, 1985. $73 0-07-016192-5. This handbook, revised every six years, contains essential information for the field.

Children's Literature

E	*A to Zoo: Subject Access to Children's Picture Books*. 3d ed. Carolyn W. Lima. Bowker, 1989. $44.95 0-8352-2599-2. Some 8,500 picture book titles are indexed under 600 subjects.
E, M	*Children and Books*. 7th ed. Zena Sutherland, Dianne L. Monson, and May Hill Arbuthnot. Scott, Foresman, 1986. 768p. Write for price information. 0-673-18069-7. This is the standard textbook for the study of children's literature.
E	*Exciting, Funny, Scary, Short, Different, and Sad Books Kids Like about Animals, Science, Sports, Families, Songs, and Other Things*. Francis L. Carroll and Mary Meacham, eds. American Library Association, 1984. 192p. $10pa. 0-8389-042308. One thousand annotated titles listed under 100 popular topics are included.
E+	*Index to Poetry for Children and Young People: 1982-1987*. G. Meredith Blackburn III, comp. H.W. Wilson, 1989. $48 0-8242-0773-4. Poetry collections are indexed by title, subject, author, and first line. Libraries that hold older poetry collections also may need the previous volumes.
E, M	*Junior Book of Authors*. 2d ed. rev. Stanley J. Kunitz and Howard Haycraft, eds. H.W. Wilson, 1951. 309p. $32 0-8242-0028-4.
E, M	*More Junior Authors*. Muriel Fuller, ed. H.W. Wilson, 1951. 309p. $28 0-8242-0036-5.
E, M	*Third Book of Junior Authors*. Doris de Montreville and Donna Hill. H.W. Wilson, 1972. 320p. $32 0-8242-0408-5.

E, M — *Fourth Book of Junior Authors & Illustrators.* Doris de Montreville and Elizabeth D. Crawford, eds. H.W. Wilson, 1978. 370p. $38 0-8242-0568-5.

E, M — *Fifth Book of Junior Authors & Illustrators.* Sally Holmes Holtze, ed. H.W. Wilson, 1983. 357p. $40 0-8242-0694-0.

E, M — *Sixth Book of Junior Authors and Illustrators.* Sally Holmes Holtze, ed. H.W. Wilson, 1989. $45 0-8242-0777-7. Some 1,600 children's authors and illustrators are included in these six volumes.

M+ — *Literature for Today's Young Adults.* 2d ed. Kenneth L. Donelson and Aleen Pace Nilsen. Scott, Foresman, 1985. 661p. Write for price information. 0-673-38400-4. This volume examines the nature of young adult books, authors, and titles by genres and techniques for working with this age group.

E, M — *Oxford Book of Children's Verse in America.* Donald Hall, ed. Oxford University Press, 1985. 319p. $24.95 0-19-5035-39-9.

E, M — *Oxford Companion to Children's Literature.* 2d ed. Humphrey Carpenter and Mari Prichard. Oxford University Press. Price and date not set. Authors, illustrators, fictitious characters, plots, films, and children's magazines are some of the types of entries this work includes.

E — *Oxford Dictionary of Nursery Rhymes.* Ione Opie and Peter Opie, eds. Oxford University Press, 1951. $47.59 0-19-869111-4. A total of 550 rhymes, songs, and riddles are arranged by keyword.

E, M — *Poetry Anthologies for Children and Young People.* Marcile E. Olexer. American Library Association, 1985. 285p. $40 0-8389-0430-0. This selection guide focuses on 300 anthologies that gather poems around a specific theme or character.

E — *This Way to Books.* Caroline Feller Bauer. H.W. Wilson, 1983. 363p. $45 0-8242-0678-9. This handbook provides practical ideas, programs, and activities designed to make reading fun.

COIN COLLECTING

E+ *COIN COLLECTING AS A HOBBY*. Rev. ed. Burton Hobson. Sterling, 1986. 192p. $9.95 0-806-94748-9; $13.29PLB 0-806-94749-7.

E+ *COIN WORLD ALMANAC*. 5th ed. Coin World Staff. World Almanac, 1987. 744p. $24.95 0-345-34976-8; $14.95pa. 0-345-34974-1. Coins and paper money from throughout the world are covered.

COMMUNICATIONS

H THE ELEMENTS OF STYLE. 3d ed. William Strunk, Jr. and E.B. White. Macmillan, 1979. 86p. $8.95pa. 0-02-418790-0. This is an easy-to-understand explanation of the rules of grammar and syntax written by a famous children's author.

E+ *HOW TO WRITE A GREAT SCHOOL REPORT*. Elizabeth James and Carol Barkin. Lothrop, 1983. 167p. $11.88PLB 0-688-02283-9; $6.95pa. 0-688-02278-2. This title contains clear instructions on researching, organizing, and writing school reports.

E, M *HOW TO WRITE A LETTER*. Rev. ed. Florence D. Mischel. Watts, 1988. 90p. $10.40 0-531-10587-3. Students in upper elementary and junior high will find this simple guide useful.

E+ *HOW TO WRITE A TERM PAPER*. Elizabeth James and Carol Barkin. Lothrop, 1980. 94p. $10.88PLB 0-688-51951-2; $3.95 0-688-41951-8. Selecting a topic, note taking, organizing material, as well as writing, footnoting, and preparing the bibliography are included.

H *MLA HANDBOOK FOR WRITERS OF RESEARCH PAPERS*. Modern Language Association, 3d ed. by Joseph Gibaldi and Walter S. Achtert. The Association, 1988. 267p. $8.95pa. 0-87352-379-2. Here is another standard guide to formal writing, which is used by many universities.

H *MANAGING THE STUDENT YEARBOOK: A RESOURCE FOR MODERN YEARBOOK MANAGEMENT AND DESIGN*. Taylor Publishing, 1983. 272p. $19.95 0-87833-333-9.

H | *A Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses, and Dissertations.* 5th ed. Kate L. Turabian. Rev. by Bonnie B. Honigsblum. University of Chicago Press, 1987. 300p. $20 0-226-81624-9; $7.95pa. 0-226-81625-7. This standard work, based on the *Chicago Manual of Style*, is the basic style manual used in most colleges and universities.

H | *Staff Handbook for a High School Student Newspaper.* Scott Sprain. Colorado Language Arts Society; distr. by National Council of Teachers of English, 1981. 129p. $7.75 0-8141-4674-0.

E+ | *The Young Writer's Handbook.* Susan Tchudi and Stephen Tchudi. Macmillan, 1987; repr. 1984 ed. 156p. $4.95pa. 0-689-71170-0. This is a useful guide to formal and creative writing.

Computers

E, M | *Basic Programming for Kids.* Rosalie S. Ault. Houghton Mifflin, 1983. 192p. $10.95 0-395-34920-6. This is an introduction to programming for Grades 4-8.

E | *The Beginner's Computer Dictionary.* Elizabeth S. Wall and Alexander C. Wall. Avon, 1984. 80p. $4.50pa. 0-380-87155-6. This small volume focuses on simple definitions of concepts and terms.

E+ | *Computer Maintenance.* D.J. Herda. Watts, 1985. 72p. $10.40PLB 0-531-04905-1. This title covers computer care and do's and don't's for the novice and the more advanced student.

H | *The McGraw-Hill Personal Computer Programming Encyclopedia: Language and Operating Systems.* 2d ed. William Birnes et al. McGraw-Hill, 1988. $95 0-07-005393-6. For those who need an advanced work on such topics as local area networks, artificial intelligence, and desktop publishing, this work is worth the price.

M+ | *Webster's New World Dictionary of Computer Terms.* 3d ed. Webster's New World: Simon & Schuster; distr. by Prentice-Hall, 1988. 412p. $6.95pa. 0-13-949-231-3. This dictionary includes 4,500 brief, nontechnical definitions.

CONSUMER EDUCATION

E+ *CONSUMER REPORTS: BUYING GUIDE ISSUE.* Consumers Union of the United States. Annual. 1989 ed., $6.95. This is the December issue of *Consumer Reports.*

E, M *THE KID'S COMPLETE GUIDE TO MONEY.* Kathy S. Kyle. Knopf, 1984. 96p. $8.99PLB 0-394-96672-4; $4.95pa. 0-394-86672-X. Here is advice on shopping and budgeting, and other matters concerning money.

E, M *THE KIDS' MONEY BOOK.* Patricia Byers et al. Liberty, 1983. 144p. $4.95pa. 0-89709-041-1. This collection of 48 money-making ideas will interest students.

COSTUMES AND FASHION

E, M *CHILDREN'S COSTUME IN AMERICA, 1607-1910.* Estelle Worrell. Scribner's, 1981. 224p. $30 0-684-16645-3. This work covers three centuries of children's wear, arranged by decade, along with comments on social and political background of the times.

H *ENCYCLOPAEDIA OF FASHION.* Georgina O'Hara. Abrams, 1986. 272p. $29.95 0-8109-0882-4. This work contains comprehensive coverage of fashion from 1840 to the 1980s.

E+ *ILLUSTRATIVE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF COSTUME AND FASHION, 1550-1920.* Jack Cassin-Scott and Ruth Green. Sterling, 1986. 160p. $19.95 0-7137-1811-0. This small volume highlights fashion design covering almost 400 years.

DECORATIVE ARTS

H *DICTIONARY OF FURNITURE.* Charles Boyce. Facts on File. 1985. 352p. $29.95 0-8160-1042-0. More than 2,000 entries cover furniture styles, movements, and periods from ancient times through the Post-modern era and from all regions of the world.

H *FAIRCHILD'S DICTIONARY OF TEXTILES.* 6th ed. Isabel B. Wingate, ed. Fairchild, 1979. 691p. $40 0-87005-198-9. Some 14,000 terms relating to natural and artificial fibers, dyeing, etc. are included.

H | *The Oxford Companion to the Decorative Arts.* Harold Osborne, ed. Oxford University Press, 1985 c.1975. 856p. $17.95pa. 0-19-281863-5. This work covers all facets of the decorative arts—ceramics, furniture, costumes, jewelry, textiles, metal, clocks, photography, landscape gardening, arms and armor, enamel, toys, etc.

Dinosaurs

M+ | *Field Guide to Prehistoric Life.* David Lambert and the Diagram Group. Facts on File, 1985. 256p. $17.95 0-8160-1125-7. This guide is designed to help young people identify and understand fossil life.

E, M | *The Illustrated Dinosaur Dictionary.* Helen R. Sattler. Lothrop, 1983. 316p. $17.50 0-688-00479-2. This dictionary is an alphabetical listing and discussion of some 300 dinosaurs.

E | *100 Dinosaurs from A to Z.* Ron Wilson. Putnam Publishing Group, 1986. 62p. $9.95 0-448-18992-5. Children in Grades 3-5 will find this small identification guide useful.

M+ | *The Macmillan Illustrated Encyclopedia of Dinosaurs and Prehistoric Animals.* Dougal Dixon et al. Macmillan, 1988. 312p. $39.95 0-02-580191-0. Both recently discovered and classic fossil animals are included.

Disabled

E+ | *Accept Me as I Am: Best Books of Nonfiction on Impairment and Disabilities.* Joan B. Mullins and W. Sukiennik. Bowker, 1985. 378p. $29.95 0-8352-1974-7. Some 350 nonfiction titles for ages 1-17 are arranged in four categories of disability—physical, sensory, cognitive and behavioral, and multiple/severe.

E+ | *The Comprehensive Signed English Dictionary.* Henry Bornstein et al, eds. Gallaudet University Press, 1983. 456p. $28.95 0-913580-81-3.

E+ | *The Perigree Visual Dictionary of Signing: An A to Z Guide to Over 1,200 Signs of American Sign Language.* Rod R. Butterworth. Putnam, 1983. 416p. $9.95 0-399-50925-9.

DRUG ABUSE

M+ *THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF DRUG ABUSE.* Robert O'Brien and Sidney Cohen. Facts on File, 1984. 454p. $40 0-87196-690-5. Some 300 entries in this outstanding work cover all types of drug abuse.

EARTH SCIENCE

E+ *THE AUDUBON SOCIETY FIELD GUIDE TO NORTH AMERICAN ROCKS AND MINERALS.* Audubon Society Staff & Charles W. Chesterman. Knopf, 1979. 850p. $14.95 0-394-50269-8. This volume contains identifications of 232 mineral species and 40 types of rocks with 794 full-color photos and drawings that show structure and crystal habit.

E+ *EXPLORING OUR LIVING PLANET.* Robert D. Ballard. Jonathan B. Tourtellot, ed. National Geographic Society, 1983. 366p. $21.95 lib. bdg. 0-87044-397-6; $19.95 0-87044-459-X. This title features extensive coverage of scientific theory and discoveries.

M+ *FIELD GUIDE TO GEOLOGY.* David Lambert and the Diagram Group. Facts on File, 1988. 256p. $22.95 0-8160-1697-6.

M+ *FIELD GUIDE TO THE ATMOSPHERE.* Vincent J. Shaefer and John A. Day. Sponsored by the National Audubon Society and the National Wildlife Federation. Houghton Mifflin, 1981. 359p. $17.95 0-395-24088-8; $12.95pa 0-395-33033-5. A first choice, this outstanding work includes illustrations and texts for a wide range of phenomenon—rainbows, storm systems, dust, tornadoes, and cloud formations.

H *THE WEATHER ALMANAC.* 5th ed. James A. Ruffner and Frank E. Bair, eds. Gale, 1987. $110 0-8103-1497-5. This title is expensive but essential in libraries requiring an authoritative work on weather and climate.

ECOLOGY

E+ *Audubon Society Nature Guides.* Knopf, 1985. 7v. $14.95/ea. Titles include: *Grasslands,* Lauren Brown, 0-394-73121-2; *Pacific Coast,* Bayard McConnaughey, 0-394-73130-1; *Deserts,* James A. McMahon, 0-394-73139-5; *Wetlands,* William A. Niering, 0-394-73147-6; *Eastern Forests,* Ann Sutton, 0-394-73126-3; *Western Forests,* Stephen Whitney, 0-394-73127-1; *Atlantic and Gulf Coast,* William H. Amos, 0-394-73109-3. This is an outstanding series providing an overview of the ecology for each site.

E+ *THE EARTH REPORT: THE ESSENTIAL GUIDE TO GLOBAL ECOLOGICAL ISSUES.* Edward Goldsmith and N. Hildhard. Price Stern Sloan, 1988. 240p. $19.95 0-89586-673-0; $12.95pa. 0-89586-678-1. A sourcebook on ecological issues.

E *Just Look at. . .Series.* Rourke Enterprises; distr. by Marshall Cavendish, 1987. 6v. 45p./ea. $71.70/set. Titles include: *Living in the Poles,* Gernard Stonehouse; *Life in the Rain Forest,* Neil Grant; *The Magnified World,* Jeremy Burgess; *The Modern Age,* Tim Healey; *The Universe,* Neil Ardley; *Water Travel,* Bill Gunston.

EDUCATION

H *COMPARATIVE GUIDE TO AMERICAN COLLEGES.* 13th ed. James Case and Max Birnbaum. Harper & Row, 1987. 800p. $35 0-06-055090-2. This frequently revised guide provides comparative and analytical information for all accredited four-year American colleges.

H *DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS: BARRON'S COMPLETE COLLEGE FINANCIAL GUIDE.* Marguerite J. Dennis. Barron's, 1989. 248p. $12.95pa. 0-8120-4155-0. Financial assistance, employment, programs for minority students, women, and the handicapped are covered.

H *PETERSON'S GUIDE TO FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES.* 20th ed. Peterson's Guides, 1989 2,697p. $15.95pa. 0-87866-847-0. This volume includes profiles of colleges and geographical listings by difficulty of entrance requirements, by cost range, and by majors.

H *PETERSON'S GUIDE TO TWO-YEAR COLLEGES.* 19th ed. Peterson's Guides, 1989. $27.95 0-87866-759-8; $12.95pa. 0-87866-719-9.

ENERGY

E — *CHARLIE BROWN'S ENCYCLOPEDIA OF ENERGY.* Hedda Nussbaum, ed. Random House, 1982. 115p. $9.99PLB 0-394-94682-0. The Peanuts gang explains energy facts and terms.

M+ — *DICTIONARY OF ENERGY.* 2d ed. Malcolm Slesser, ed. 300p. Nichols Pub., 1988. $54.50 0-89397-320-3. This up-to-date work defines some 2,350 terms covering all aspects of energy.

E, M — *NUCLEAR ENERGY.* Rev. ed. Dan Halacy. Watts, 1984. $10.40PLB 0-531-04829-2. Basic facts about the uses and hazards of nuclear energy are covered.

ETHNIC MINORITIES

M+ — *ATLAS OF THE JEWISH WORLD.* Nicholas DeLange. Facts on File, 1984. 240p. $40 0-87196-043-5. This title explains the history and experiences of Jews and Jewish culture from ancient times to the present through text, illustrations, and maps.

E+ — *BOOKS IN SPANISH FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS: AN ANNOTATED GUIDE—SERIES IV.* Isabel Schon. Scarecrow, 1987. $29.50 0-8108-2004-8. Libraries also may need prior Series I-III, published in 1978, 1983, and 1985.

M+ — *DICTIONARY OF MEXICAN AMERICAN HISTORY.* Matt S. Meier and Feliciana Rivera. Greenwood Press, 1981. $46.95 0-313-21203-1. All aspects of the participation of Mexican Americans in American history from 1519 to 1980 are detailed.

E+ — *ENCYCLOPEDIA OF NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES.* Carl Waldman. Facts on File, 1988. 293p. $35 0-8160-1421-3. All tribes north of Mexico, Abnaki through Zuni, are discussed in short entries.

E+ — *EXTRAORDINARY BLACK AMERICANS FROM COLONIAL TO CONTEMPORARY TIMES.* Susan Altman. Children's Press, 1989. 240p. $30.60 0-516-00581-2. Two-page biographies of 85 men and women of distinction are featured.

E, M | *Great Negroes, Past and Present.* 3d ed. Russell L. Adams, ed. Afro-American Pubs., 1976. 212p. $17.95 0-910030-07-3; $12.95pa. 0-9100-30-0801. The easy-to-read narratives about 175 blacks of achievement make this volume useful.

M+ | *Mexican American Biographies: A Historical Dictionary, 1836-1987.* Matt S. Meier. Greenwood, 1988. $45 0-313-24521-5. This title includes 270 biographies of prominent historic and contemporary figures.

M+ | *Negro Almanac: A Reference Work on the Afro-American.* 4th ed. Harry A. Ploski and James Williams, eds. Wiley, 1983. 1,550p. $97 0-471-87710-7. Considered the most important reference work on black Americans, this work includes historical and statistical data, biographies, chronologies, and topical entries.

E, M | *The Young Reader's Encyclopedia of Jewish History.* Ilana Shamir and Shlomo Shavit. Viking, 1987. 125p. $15.95 0-670-81738-4. Almost every name and place of importance in over 5,000 years of Jewish history are covered.

Etiquette

M+ | *Emily Post Etiquette.* 14th ed. Rev. by Elizabeth L. Post. Harper, 1984. 992p. $27.50 0-06-181683-3. This standard work will answer most questions concerning formal occasions.

M+ | *Miss Manners' Guide to Excruciatingly Correct Behavior.* Judith Martin. Atheneum, 1982. 745p. $19.95 0-689-11247-5. Sound advice on correct social behavior is humorously presented.

Family

E, M | *In Charge: A Complete Handbook for Kids with Working Parents.* Kathy A. Kyle. Knopf, 1983. 96p. $8.99 lib. bdg. 0-394-95408-4; $6.95pa. 0-394-85409-4. This book includes advice on dealing with major and minor crises and other problems.

E, M | *The Kids' Book about Death and Dying: By and for Kids.* Eric E. Rofes, ed. Little, Brown, 1985. 119p. $14.95 0-316-75390-4. This highly recommended work was written by 14 children, ages 11-14, as a part of a classroom project.

Fish

E+ | *The Encyclopedia of Aquatic Life.* Keith Banister and Andrew Campbell, eds. Facts on File, 1985. 384p. $45 0-8160-1257-1. This extensively illustrated work treats fish, aquatic invertebrates, and sea mammals.

Flags

E+ | *Guide to the Flags of the World.* Rev. ed. Mauro Talocci and Whitney Smith. Morrow, 1982. 271p. $14.45pa. 0-688-01141-1. A color picture of each flag is included with a discussion of its history and symbolism.

E+ | *So Proudly We Hail: The History of the United States Flag.* William Rea Furlong and Bryon McCandless, ed. by Harold D. Langley. Smithsonian Institute Press, 1981. 260p. $27.50 0-87474-448-2; $14.95pa. 0-87474-449-0. The history of flags from periods of exploration and settlement up to today is given.

E+ | *State Names, Seals, Flags, and Symbols: A Historical Guide.* Benjamin F. Shearer and Barbara S. Shearer. Greenwood, 1987. 247p. $39.95 0-313-24559-2. Nicknames, mottos, seals, flags, capitals, flowers, trees, birds, songs, etc. are featured.

Food and Nutrition

M+ | *Joy of Cooking.* Irma von Starkloff Rombauer and Marion Rombauer Becker. Bobbs-Merrill, 1986. 930p. $16.95 0-02-604570-2. This quality work with step-by-step instructions makes cooking interesting.

M+ | *Nutrition Almanac.* 2d ed. John D. Kirschmann, with Lavon J. Dunne. McGraw-Hill, 1985. 313p. $19.95 0-07-034906-1; $10.95pa. 0-07-034905-3. This is a source-book on all aspects of nutrition.

GAMES

E+ — *HOYLE'S RULES OF GAMES.* 2d rev. ed. Albert H. Morehead and Geoffrey Mott-Smith. NAL, 1988. 548p. $7.95pa. 0-452-26049-3. Almost every indoor game played today is included in this standard work.

E, M — *THE INCREDIBLE INDOOR GAME BOOK: 160 GROUP PROJECTS, GAMES, AND ACTIVITIES.* Bob Gregson. D.S. Lake Publishers, 1982. 187p. $12.95pa. 0-8224-0765-5. Although designed for those who work with children, this title is useful to children also.

GEOGRAPHY

M+ — *ATLAS OF NORTH AMERICA: SPACE AGE PORTRAIT OF A CONTINENT.* National Geographic Society, 1985. 264p. $39.95 This superb atlas was produced by space-age technology as well as traditional cartographic techniques.

E — *DOUBLEDAY CHILDREN'S ATLAS.* Jane Oliver, ed. Doubleday, 1987. 93p. $11.95 0-385-23760-X. Clear, colorful relief maps; excellent photographs of people and places; brief facts and statistics are featured.

E — *THE FACTS ON FILE CHILDREN'S ATLAS.* Facts on File, 1987. 96p. $14.95 0-8160-1745-X. In addition to excellent full-color maps, the atlas includes quizzes, games, activities, puzzles, and fact boxes.

E+ — *GOODE'S WORLD ATLAS.* 17th ed. Edward B. Espenshade, Jr., ed. Rand McNally, 1986. $22.95 0-5288-3127-5. A first choice in any school library, this work provides outstanding coverage.

E+ — *READER'S DIGEST GUIDE TO PLACES OF THE WORLD.* Reader's Digest Association; distr. by Random House, 1987. 735p. $32.95 0-276-39826-2. This volume treats more than 7,000 cities, states, regions, natural and human-made features, terms, and other geographical items world wide.

E+ — *TEXAS, A GEOGRAPHY.* T.G. Gordon, J.L. Bean, Jr., and W.M. Holmes. Westview Press, 1984. 228p. $47 0-86531-088-2; $26pa. 0-86531-481-0. This is an excellent treatment of the state.

E+ *Webster's New Geographical Dictionary*. Rev. ed. Merriam Editorial Staff. Merriam, 1984. 1,568p. $19.95 0-87779-446-4. The standard gazetteer, this volume contains 47,000 entries for geographical sites worldwide.

M+ *World Atlas of Nations*. Rand McNally, 1988. 208p. $34.95 0-528-83315-4. This title offers the same level of treatment for all countries, large and small.

History

H Atlas of American History. 2d rev. ed. James T. Adams, ed. Scribner's, 1985. $55 0-684-18411-7. This volume provides an overview of American history in over 200 maps, essays, illustrations, and portraits.

H *Concise Dictionary of American History*. Scribner's 1983. 1,140p. $70 0-684-17321-2. This is an abridgment of *Dictionary of American History*, which is the most comprehensive work of its type.

H *Dictionary of Afro-American Slavery*. Ronald M. Miller and John David Smith. Greenwood, 1988. 866p. $95 0-313-23814-6. Over 300 articles cover such topics as slave culture, daily life, trading practices, and political and legal actions.

M+ *Encyclopedia of American Facts and Dates*. 8th ed. Gordon Carruth, ed. Crowell, 1987. 1,008p. $29.95 0-06-18143-2. Four parallel columns cover politics and government, culture, science, and popular culture.

H *Encyclopedia of World History: Ancient, Medieval and Modern*. 5th ed. William L. Langer. Houghton, 1973. 1,362p. $35 0-395-13592-3. This standard chronology covers ancient times to 1970.

E+ *Handbook of Texas*. Walter Prescott Webb and H. Bailey Carroll, eds. Texas State Historical Association, 1952. 2v. $65 0-87611-013-8; supplement, called Vol. 3. Eldon Stephen Branda, ed. 1977. $40 0-87611-027-8; $95/3v. set 0-87611-036-7. (Texas State Historical Association, 21306 Richardson Hall, University Station, Austin, TX 78712.) This essential source provides historical, economic, and cultural information about Texas.

H | *Harper Atlas of World History.* Harper, 1987. $29.95 0-06-181884-4. Clear, attractive maps focus upon broad historical movements of worldwide scope.

M+ | *Historical Atlas of Texas.* A. Ray Stephens and William M. Holmes. University of Oklahoma Press, 1989. $24.95 0-8061-2158-0. Sixty-four maps and brief essays illustrate the most significant events and subjects in the history and geography of Texas.

E, M | *The Story of America: A National Geographic Picture Atlas.* John Anthony Scott. National Geographic Society, 1984. 324p. $21.95 lib. bdg. 0-870-445-35-9; $19.95 0-870-44508-1. This is a picture history from the Stone Age to the present.

H | *The Vietnam War: An Almanac.* John S. Bowman, ed. Pharos Books; distr. by Ballantine, 1986. 512p. $22.95pa 0-345-32631-8. This history of Vietnam from ancient times to the present includes a day-by-day chronology of the war with articles on key issues, etc.

H | *The World Almanac Book of World War II: The Complete Comprehensive Dictionary of World War II.* 1st rev. ed. Peter Young, ed. Pharos Books; distr. by Ballantine, 1986. 624p. $14.95 0-345-33725-5. The three sections include a chronology, coverage of weaponry, and brief biographical sketches of 350 key figures.

Holidays and Special Days

E+ | *American Book of Days.* 3d ed. Jane M. Hatch, comp. H. W. Wilson, 1978. 1214p. $64 0-8242-0593-6. This volume includes 720 articles on historical events and religious and public holidays.

E+ | *Anniversaries and Holidays.* 4th ed. Ruth Gregory. American Library Association, 1983. $25 0-8389-0389-4. Over 3,000 items are in calendar order plus moveable days subdivided by Christian, Islamic, etc.

E, M | *Holidays.* Rev. ed. Bernice Burnett. Watts, 1983. 87p. $10.40 0-531-04646-X. Brief articles on holidays are featured.

HUMAN ANATOMY

E, M — *THE HUMAN BODY*. Jonathan Miller. Viking, 1983. 12p. $19.95 0-670-38605-7. This title contains six fold-outs of the human body.

E+ — *THE INCREDIBLE MACHINE*. National Geographic Book Service, 1986. 386p. $24.95 0-87044-619-3; $26.95 lib. bdg. 0-87044-620-7. Eight chapters dramatically display the human body.

INSECTS

E+ — *AUDUBON SOCIETY FIELD GUIDE TO NORTH AMERICAN INSECTS AND SPIDERS*. Audubon Society Staff, Lorus Milne and Margery Milne. Knopf, 1980. 1,008p. $14.95 0-394-50763-0. Beautiful and colorful plates, identities by shape, and discussions of habitat, range, food, life cycle, etc. are included.

E+ — *ENCYCLOPEDIA OF INSECTS*. Christopher O'Toole, ed. Facts on File, 1986. 160p. $24.95 0-8160-1358-6. This outstanding work includes descriptions of each order and over 150 superb photographs.

LANGUAGE

UNABRIDGED DICTIONARIES

E+ — *THE RANDOM HOUSE DICTIONARY OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE*. 2d ed. Unabridged. Random House, 1987. $79.95 0-394-50050-4. This work is of excellent quality but does not replace *Webster's Third* listed below.

E+ — *WEBSTER'S THIRD NEW INTERNATIONAL DICTIONARY*. Philip Gore and the Merriam-Webster ed. staff. Merriam, 1961. 2661p. $89.95 0-87779-201-1. Our most distinguished dictionary should be available to teachers at all levels and to students in high school.

E+ — *WORLD BOOK DICTIONARY*. Clarence L. Barnhart and Robert K. Barnhart, eds. World Book. Revised annually. 2v. Write for price information. This work, designed to complement *World Book Encyclopedia*, includes 225,000 entries and is suitable for both teachers and students.

DESK DICTIONARIES

M+	*AMERICAN HERITAGE DICTIONARY.* 2d College ed., ed. by William Morris. Houghton Mifflin, 1982. 1,568p. $16.95 0-395-32944-2. This quality work ranks below the two works that follow.
M+	*WEBSTER'S NEW WORLD DICTIONARY OF THE AMERICAN LANGUAGE.* 3d ed. Victoria Neufeldt and David B. Guralnik, eds. Simon & Schuster, 1988. 1,600p. $17.95 0-13-947169-3. This is a first choice.
M+	*WEBSTER'S NINTH NEW COLLEGIATE DICTIONARY.* Frederick C. Mish, ed. Merriam, 1983. 1,563p. $15.95 0-87779-508-8. This is a first choice.

JUVENILE DICTIONARIES

E	*AMERICAN HERITAGE CHILDREN'S DICTIONARY.* Houghton Mifflin, 1986. 848p. $13.95 0-395-42529-8.
M	*AMERICAN HERITAGE STUDENT'S DICTIONARY.* Houghton Mifflin, 1986. 992p. $11.95 0-395-40417-7.
E	*THE CAT IN THE HAT BEGINNER BOOK DICTIONARY.* Philip D. Eastman. Random House, 1964. 133p. $8.99 0-394-91009-0.
E	*CHILDCRAFT DICTIONARY.* World Book, 1989. 900p. $25 0-7166-1489-8. This new work includes several unique features; e.g., blue bullets to introduce synonyms and antonyms, red square bullets to mark idiomatic expressions, etc.
E	*THE DOUBLEDAY CHILDREN'S PICTURE DICTIONARY.* Felicia Law. Doubleday, 1987. $13.95pa. 0-385-23711-1. This attractive dictionary is arranged alphabetically rather than topically.
E, M	*THE LINCOLN WRITING DICTIONARY FOR CHILDREN.* HBJ, 1988. 901p. $17.95 0-15-152394-0. This new work has been favorably reviewed.

E | *Macmillan Dictionary for Children*. Newly rev. ed. Judith S. Levey, ed. Macmillan, 1989. $14.95 0-0276-1561-8. A quality work with unique formatting, the 30,000 entry words are followed by definitions and illustrative sentences.

E | *Magic World of Words: The New Macmillan Very First Dictionary*. 2d ed. William D. Halsey, ed. dir.; Christopher G. Morris, ed. Macmillan, 1980. 256p. $8.95 0-025-78980-5. This beginning dictionary falls between picture glossaries and beginning dictionaries.

H | *Scott, Foresman Advanced Dictionary*. E.L. Thorndike and Clarence L. Barnhart. Scott, Foresman, 1988. 1,328p. $16.94 0-673-12385-5. This is a first choice.

E | *Scott, Foresman Beginning Dictionary*. E.L. Thorndike and Clarence L. Barnhart. Scott, Foresman, 1988. 826p. $16.49 0-673-12383-7. This is a first choice.

M | *Scott, Foresman Intermediate Dictionary*. E.L. Thorndike, 1988. 1,136p. $16.49 0-673-12384-7. A first choice, this work and the two above have been standards for 50 years.

E | *The Sesame Street Dictionary*. Linda Hayward. Random House, 1980. 256p. $14.95 0-394-84007-0; $14.99 lib. bdg. 0-394-94007-5. Jim Henson's Muppets are featured in this picture dictionary.

M | *Webster's Intermediate Dictionary*. ed. by Merriam Co. Merriam-Webster, 1986. 960p. $10.95 0-87779-397-4. The 57,000 entries are designed to meet the needs of middle school students.

H | *Webster's School Dictionary*. Merriam-Webster, 1980. 1,184p. $12.95 0-87779-280-1. The 77,000 entries focus on the needs of high school students.

Picture Dictionaries

E+ | *The Facts on File Visual Dictionary*. Jean-Claude Corbeil. Facts on File, 1986. 797p. $29.95 0-8106-1544-9. This dictionary is useful for learning the names of objects, devices, machines, instruments, etc.

E+ *What's What: A Visual Glossary to the Physical World.* Reginald Bragonier and David Fisher. Hammond, 1981. 565p. $30 0-8437-3329-2; $19.95pa. 0-8437-3331-4. Over 25,000 component parts of over 1,500 objects are labeled.

Etymology

H *The Shorter Oxford English Dictionary on Historical Principles.* Preface by William Little, H.W. Fowler and Jesse Coulson. Rev. and ed. by C.T. Onions. 3d ed. Clarendon Press, 1973. 2,672p. $150 0-19-861126-9. This abridgment is based on the most distinguished dictionary for the English language, the *Oxford English Dictionary*.

E, M *The Story Behind Words: The Origins and Histories of 285 English Words.* Peter R. Limburg. H.W. Wilson, 1986. $30 0-8242-0718-1. This work contains interesting tales about the development of words and phrases.

Idioms

E+ *A Dictionary of American Idioms.* 2d ed. Rev. and updated. Barron's Educational Series, 1987. 398p. $11.95pa. 0-8120-3899-1. This dictionary is essential for locating hard-to-find phrases.

Rhymes

E+ *Webster's Compact Rhyming Dictionary.* Merriam-Webster, 1987. 392p. $4.95 0-87779-185-6. Fifty thousand words are arranged by their rhyme sounds in one alphabet.

Slang

H *New Dictionary of American Slang.* Robert L. Chapman, ed. Harper, 1986. 485p. $23.95 0-061-81157-2. Some 20,000 entries provide a general treatment of American slang, which includes vulgarisms and racial slurs.

SYNONYMS

E — *DOUBLEDAY CHILDREN'S THESAURUS.* John Bellamy. Doubleday, 1987. 198p. $11.95 0-385-23833-9. This thesaurus contains some 6,000 words with synonyms and sentences that show usage.

E, M — *A FIRST THESAURUS.* Harriet Wittels and Joan Griesman. Goldencraft/Children's Press, 1985. 126p. Golden Books. $5.95pa. 0-307-15835-7. Designed for students in Grades 3-7, this work contains 2,000 entries with several synonyms for each.

H — *ROGET'S INTERNATIONAL THESAURUS.* 4th ed. Robert L. Chapman, ed. Crowell, 1977. 1,455p. $13.95 0-690-00010-3. The words are arranged in the original scheme developed by Peter Mark Roget.

H — *WEBSTER'S NEW DICTIONARY OF SYNONYMS.* 2d ed. Merriam, 1968. 944p. $14.95 0-87779-241-0. This standard work is alphabetically arranged and includes discussions of differences in meanings in the synonyms it provides.

USAGE AND GRAMMAR

H — *HARPER DICTIONARY OF CONTEMPORARY USAGE.* 2d ed. William Morris and Mary Morris. Harper, 1985. 641p. $22.50 0-061-81606-X. This dictionary provides detailed coverage for usage of English, with discussions of common problems.

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

M+ — *CASSELL'S SPANISH-ENGLISH, ENGLISH-SPANISH DICTIONARY.* Macmillan, 1978. 1,109p. Write for price information. 0-023-22910-9.

E — *CAT IN THE HAT BEGINNER BOOK DICTIONARY IN FRENCH AND ENGLISH.* Philip D. Eastman, ed. Random House, 1965. 133p. $12.95 0-394-81063-5.

E — *CAT IN THE HAT BEGINNER BOOK DICTIONARY IN SPANISH AND ENGLISH.* Philip D. Eastman, ed. Random House, 1966. 133p. $11.95 0-394-81542-4.

M+ *CONCISE OXFORD FRENCH DICTIONARY. 2d ed. French/English, English/French. Clarendon Press/Oxford University Press, 1985. $9.95pa.*

LITERATURE

H *BENET'S READER'S ENCYCLOPEDIA.* 3d ed. Harper & Row, 1987. $35 0-061-81088-6. This volume is an essential work covering literary topics—authors, major works, terms, etc.—and historic events, music, and art works.

H *BREWER'S DICTIONARY OF PHRASE AND FABLE.* Centenary ed., rev. Ebenezer C. Brewer. Harper & Row, 1981. 1,213p. $35 0-06-014903-5. This delightful work includes literary, historical, and artistic entries, as well as definitions or explanations for phrases commonly heard in English.

H *CAMBRIDGE COMPANION TO SHAKESPEARE STUDIES.* Stanley Wells, ed. Cambridge University Press, 1987. 340p. $47.50 0-521-26737-4; $12.95pa. 0-521-31841-6. This title is a comprehensive guide to the study of Shakespeare.

H *CAMBRIDGE GUIDE TO LITERATURE IN ENGLISH.* Ian Ousby. Cambridge University Press, 1988. 992p. $39.95 0-521-36751-X. This survey treats the literature of Great Britain, Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Nigeria, and the West Indies.

H *DICTIONARY OF FICTIONAL CHARACTERS.* William Freeman. Rev. by Fred Urquhart. The Writer, 1985. 579p. $15pa. 0-87116-147-8. Some 20,000 characters in British and American literary works are identified.

H *DICTIONARY OF LITERARY PSEUDONYMS: A SELECTION OF MODERN POPULAR WRITERS IN ENGLISH.* 4th ed. American Library Association, 1987. 299p. $19.50 0-8389-2045-4.

M+ *THE FACTS ON FILE DICTIONARY OF CLASSICAL, BIBLICAL AND LITERARY ALLUSIONS.* Abraham Lass et al. Facts on File, 1987. 223p. $18.95 0-8160-1267-9.

H *GRANGER'S INDEX TO POETRY.* William Bernhardt, ed. Columbia University Press, 1986. 2,014p. $165 0-231-06276-1. This volume indexes over 50,000 poems contained in 405 volumes.

H *A Handbook of Literature Based on the Original by William F. Thrall and Addison Hibbard.* Hugh Holman. 4th ed. Bobbs-Merrill, 1980. 537p. $18.76 0-672-61477-4; $13.24pa. 0-672-61441-3. This work discusses literary terms rather than authors.

H *The Oxford Companion to American Literature.* 5th ed. James D. Hart. Oxford University Press, 1983. 896p. $49.95 0-19-503074-5. This work includes concise entries for authors, plots, literary illusions, etc.

H *The Oxford Companion to English Literature.* 5th ed. Margaret Drabble, ed. Oxford University Press, 1985. 1,155p. $45 0-19-866130-4. Brief biographies of authors, plot summaries, literary characters, etc. are included.

H *Poetry Handbook: A Dictionary of Terms.* Babette Deutsch. 4th ed. Harper & Row, 1974. Reprint of 1974 ed. 309p. $7.95pa. 0-06-463548-1. Despite its publication date, this standard handbook has not been replaced by a newer work. It contains explanations and illustrations of the technical side of poetry.

H *Shakespeare: An Illustrated Dictionary.* Oxford University Press, 1978. 216p. $21.95 0-19-520054-3. Brief entries cover a wide range of topics related to Shakespeare.

Authors

H *American Authors: 1600-1800.* Stanley J. Kunitz and Howard Haycraft. 846p. H.W. Wilson, 1938. $52 0-8242-0001-2. This title profiles 1,300 authors.

H *American Writers.* Macmillan, 1974-1981. 8v. $495/set 0-684-17322-0. This outstanding set provides an analysis of major works by American writers and is well worth its cost.

H *British Authors Before 1800.* Stanley J. Kunitz and Howard Haycraft. 384p. H.W. Wilson, 1952. $43 0-8242-0006-3. This title includes 1,650 biographical profiles.

H *British Authors of the 19th Century.* Stanley J. Kunitz and Howard Haycraft. 677p. H.W. Wilson, 1936. $45 0-8242-0007-1. Over 1,000 eminent writers are identified.

H | *Twentieth Century Authors: First Supplement.* Stanley Kunitz and Howard Haycraft, eds. H.W. Wilson, 1955. 1,123p. $63 0-8242-0049-7. This work discusses 700 writers who became prominent from 1942 to 1955.

H | *Twentieth Century Authors.* Stanley Kunitz and Howard Haycraft, eds. H.W. Wilson, 1942. 1,577p. $73 0-8242-0049-7. Biographical sketches of 1,800 authors from around the world are provided.

H | *Twentieth Century Authors: First Supplement.* Stanley Kunitz and Howard Haycraft, eds. H.W. Wilson, 1955. 1,123p. $63 0-8242-0049-7. This work discusses 700 writers who became prominent from 1042 to 1955.

H | *World Authors: 1950-1970.* John Wakeman, ed. H.W. Wilson, 1975. 1,593p. $95 0-8242-0419-0.

H | *World Authors: 1970-1975.* John Wakeman, ed. H.W. Wilson, 1978. 893p. $78 0-8242-0641-X.

H | *World Authors: 1975-1980.* John Wakeman, ed. H.W. Wilson, 1985. $78 0-8242-0641-X. This volume and the two above profile almost 1,700 authors.

Criticism

H | *Contemporary Literary Criticism: Excerpts from Criticisms of the Works of Today's Novelists, Poets, Playwrights, Short Story Writers, Film-Makers, and Other Creative Writers.* Gale, 1973 to date. $95/v. (50+ vols. to date).

H | *Nineteenth-Century Literary Criticism.* Gale, 1981 to date. $88/v. (20+ vols. to date).

H | *Twentieth-Century Literary Criticism.* Gale, 1978 to date. $88/v. (29+ vols. to date).

DIGESTS

H | *MASTERPLOTS: REVISED CATEGORY EDITION. AMERICAN FICTION SERIES.* Frank N. Magill, ed. Salem, 1985. 3v. $120 0-89356-500-8. These plot summaries are questioned by some teachers. Each school should make its own decision as to whether to purchase.

H | *SURVEY OF CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE: UPDATED REPRINTS OF 2,300 ESSAY-REVIEWS FROM MASTERPLOTS ANNUALS, 1954-1976, AND SURVEY OF CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE SUPPLEMENT WITH 3,300 BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCE SOURCES.* Rev. ed. Frank N. Magill, ed. Salem, 1977. c1954-1977. 12v. $350/set 0-89356-050-2. (See note above.)

MAMMALS

E+ | *THE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF MAMMALS.* David McDonald, ed. Facts on File, 1984. 895p. 0-87196-871-1. This beautiful volume contains 700 articles, 2,250 color plates, and 72 color illustrations.

MATHEMATICS

E | *THE AMAZING MATHEMATICS AMUSEMENT ARCADE.* Brian Holt. Cambridge University Press, 1984. 128p. $9.95pa. 0-521-26980-6. This volume describes some 130 exciting and challenging activities.

E | *MORE MATHEMATICAL ACTIVITIES: A FURTHER RESOURCE BOOK FOR TEACHERS.* Brian Holt. Cambridge University Press, 1986. $11.95 0-521-31951-X.

H | *HANDBOOK OF MATHEMATICAL TABLES AND FORMULAS.* 5th ed. Richard Burington. McGraw-Hill, 1973. 480p. $37.95 0-07-009015-7. Summaries of formulas, tables, logarithms, etc. are included.

E+ | *MATH AND LOGIC GAMES: A BOOK OF PUZZLES AND PROBLEMS.* Franco Agostini. Facts on File, 1984. 884p. $22.95 0-87196-212-8. This title features puzzles, games, and tricks.

H | *Prentice-Hall Encyclopedia of Mathematics.* Evelyn Griesbach and Jerry Taylor. Prentice-Hall, 1982. 633p. $39.50 0-13-696-13-8. Articles on mathematical concepts and related topics are included.

Military History

H | *The Encyclopedia of Military History from 3500 B.C. to the Present.* 2d rev. ed. Richard Ernest Dupuy and Trevor Dupuy. Harper & Row, 1986. 1,524p. $39.95 0-06-181235-8. The book covers comprehensively wars and warfare through 1984.

H | *Weapons: An International Encyclopedia from 5000 B.C. to 2000 A.D.* The Diagram Group. St. Martin's Press, 1981. 320p. $27.50 0-312-85946-5. Weapons from the simple club to complex modern equipment are described.

Music

E, M | *The Guinness Book of Music.* 3d ed. Robert Dearling and Celia Dearling. Sterling, 1986. 248p. $17.95 0-85112-460-7. This musical appreciation volume includes chapters on musical elements, musical instruments, orchestras, and concerts.

H | *Illustrated Cyclopedia of Music and Musicians.* 11th ed. Oscar Thompson, ed. Dodd, Mead, 1985. 2,609p. $69.95 0-396-08412-5. Musical terms are defined and brief biographies provided.

E, M | *Music: An Illustrated Encyclopedia.* Neil Ardley. Facts on File, 1986. 192p. $16.95 0-8160-1543-0. This volume is a comprehensive introduction to all aspects of music–technical, historical, geographical, and biographical.

E+ | *Musical Instruments of the World: An Illustrated Encyclopedia.* The Diagram Group. Facts on File, 1978. 320p. $35 0-87196-310-5; $14.95pa. 0-8160-1309-8. Over 4,000 ancient and modern musical instruments are illustrated and discussed.

H | *The Norton/Grove Concise Encyclopedia of Music*. Stanley Sadie, ed. Norton, 1988. 850p. $40 0-393-02620-5. Based largely on the distinguished 20-volume *New Grove Dictionary of Music and Musicians*, this volume has 10,000 entries for terms, genres, identification of over 1,000 titles of individual composers, biographies, and historical accounts of musical development.

E, M | *Oxford Junior Companion to Music*. 2d ed. Michael Hurd. Oxford University, 1980. 352p. $35 0-19-314302-X. Musical instruments, places, people, terminology, musical styles, and beautiful illustrations are featured.

Mythology and Folklore

M+ | *The Dictionary of Classical Mythology*. Pierre Grimal. Basil Blackwell, 1986. 603p. $34.95 0-631-13209-0. This title identifies gods, goddesses, heroes, and mortals of Greek and Roman mythology.

H | *Funk and Wagnalls Standard Dictionary of Folklore, Mythology, and Legend*. Maria Leach, ed. Funk & Wagnalls; distr. by T.Y. Crowell, 1972. 1,236p. $29.95pa. 0-06-250511-4. This is the standard reference work on fairy tales, ballads, dances, gods, heroes, customs, beliefs, etc.

E+ | *The Illustrated Who's Who in Mythology*. Michael Senior. Macmillan, 1985. 223p. $35 0-02-923770-X. Some 1,200 short entries cover Greek and Roman gods and goddesses.

Names

E+ | *Facts on File Dictionary of First Names*. Leslie Dunkling and William Gosling. Facts on File, 1984. 320p. $19.95 0-87196-274-8. This volume includes origins, exact or probable meaning, literary uses, and popularity of first names.

E, M | *Last Names First...and Some First Names*. Mary Price Lee and Richard S. Lee. Westminister Press, 1985. 119p. $11.95 0-664-32719-2. Stories about the original last-name bearer, telling about ancestry, occupations, etc., are included.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

E, M — *HOW TO RUN A MEETING.* Rev. ed. David G. Powers. Watts, 1985. 61p. $10.40 0-531-04641-9. This volume covers basic parliamentary procedure, elections, and the writing of constitutions and bylaws.

H — *THE SCOTT, FORESMAN ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER NEWLY REVISED.* A new & enl. ed. by Sarah Corbin Robert. Scott, Foresman, 1981. 594p. $16.95 0-673-15472-6.

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E+ — *THE COMPLETE DOG BOOK.* 17th ed. American Kennel Club Staff. Howell Book House, 1985. 768p. $19.95 0-87605-463-7. This is the official American Kennel Club guide to 129 breeds.

E+ — *SIMON AND SCHUSTER'S GUIDE TO CATS.* Simon and Schuster, 1983. 255p. $23.95 0-671-49167-9; $10.95pa. 0-671-49170-9. The history of cats and discussion of cats in literature and art, cat psychology and personalities, and cats' social life, care, etc. are given.

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H — *DICTIONARY OF THE HISTORY OF IDEAS: STUDIES OF PIVOTAL IDEAS.* Philip P. Wiener, ed. Scribner's, 1983. 5v. $67.50/set pa. 0-684-16418-3. Articles covering a wide range of topics encompassing all of the liberal arts are included.

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E+ — *PHOTOGRAPHY BASICS: AN INTRODUCTION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.* Prentice-Hall, 1983. 48p. $9.95PLB 0-13-664-995-5. This title is a useful introduction to all aspects of photography.

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M+ *BIOGRAPHICAL DIRECTORY OF THE AMERICAN CONGRESS, 1774-1989.* U.S. Congress. U.S. Government Printing Office, 1988. $82 S/N 0-52-071-00699-1. Brief biographies of all persons who have served since the first Continental Congress are given.

E, M *COMPLETE BOOK OF U.S. PRESIDENTS.* William A. DeGregorio. Dembner; distr. by N.W. Norton, 1984. 461p. $25 0-934878-36-6. The public and private life of each president is covered.

E+ *FACTS ABOUT THE PRESIDENTS: FROM GEORGE WASHINGTON TO GEORGE BUSH.* 5th ed. H.W. Wilson, 1989. $45 0-8242-0774-2. This standard work is usually a first choice.

H *HOW CONGRESS WORKS.* Congressional Quarterly, 1983. 219p. $12.95pa. 0-87187-254-4. This volume is a vivid and complete introduction to Congress.

M+ *OFFICIAL CONGRESSIONAL DIRECTORY.* U.S. Congress. U.S. Government Printing Office. 1988-89 ed., $20 S/N 0-52-070-06542-7; $15pa. S/N 0-52-070-06541-9. This directory includes biographical information about each member of Congress.

H *STATESMAN'S YEAR-BOOK: STATISTICAL AND HISTORICAL ANNUAL OF THE STATES OF THE WORLD.* St. Martin's. Annual. 1988 ed., $49.95. Using a compact format, this title provides extensive information, political, social, economic, military, etc., about the nations of the world.

M+ *UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT MANUAL.* U.S. Government Printing Office. Annual. 1988-89 ed. $20 S/N 0-69-000-00015-1. This is the official handbook on the U.S. government.

PROVERBS

H *FACTS ON FILE DICTIONARY OF PROVERBS.* Rosalind Fergusson. Facts on File, 1983. 331p. $21.95. Over 6,000 proverbs of all nations and all periods are included.

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M+ *BARTLETT'S FAMILIAR QUOTATIONS.* 15th ed. rev. and enl. John Bartlett. Emily Morison Beck et al, eds. Little, Brown, 1980. 1,540p. $29.95 0-316-08275-9. This standard should be in every secondary school library.

M+ *OXFORD DICTIONARY OF QUOTATIONS.* 3d ed. Oxford University Press, 1979. 907p. $45 0-19-211-560-X. This work supplements the above.

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M+ *ABINGDON DICTIONARY OF LIVING RELIGIONS.* Keith Crim et al, eds. Abington, 1981. 864p. $17.95 0-678-00409-8. Articles on major religions, beliefs, key figures, sacred books, and other topics are included.

M+ *BIBLICAL QUOTATIONS.* Jennifer Speake, ed. Facts on File, 1983. 203p. $22.95 0-87196-241-1. This work is based on the King James version of the Bible.

H *DICTIONARY OF COMPARATIVE RELIGION.* S.G.F. Brandon, gen. ed. Scribner's, 1970. 704p. $55 0-684-15561-3. This is a standard work covering Asia, Western, ancient, and primitive religions.

M+ *HARPER'S BIBLE DICTIONARY.* Paul J. Achtemeier and the Society of Biblical Literature. Harper, 1985. 1,178p. $28.50 0-06-069862-4. This title has entries for all important persons and places in the Bible, theological terms, archaeological sites, and other Bible topics.

E+ *JEWISH FAMILY CELEBRATIONS: THE SABBATH, FESTIVALS, CEREMONIES.* Arlene R. Cardozo. St. Martin's Press, 1982. 268p. $17.50 0-312-44231-9.

E+ *JUNIOR JEWISH ENCYCLOPEDIA.* 10th rev. ed. Naomi Ben-Asher and Hayim Leaf. Shengold, 1984. 352p. $19.95 0-88400-110-5. This is a guide to the present and past of the Jewish people.

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E+ *AUDUBON SOCIETY FIELD GUIDE TO NORTH AMERICAN REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS.* Audubon Society Staff and F. Wayne King. Knopf, 1979. 719p. $14.95 0-394-50824-6. All reptiles and amphibians found in North America are described and illustrated with photographs.

E+ *ENCYCLOPEDIA OF REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS.* Tim R. Holliday and Kraig Adler, eds. Facts on File, 1986. 160p. $24.95 0-8160-1359-4. This is a handsome volume, a first choice in all libraries.

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M+ *AAAS SCIENCE BOOK LIST 1978-1986: A SELECTED AND ANNOTATED LIST OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS BOOKS.* Comp. and ed. by Kathryn Wolff et al. American Association for the Advancement of Science, 1986. 569p. $25 0-87168-315-6. This work is an important guide to the best science books for secondary schools.

E, M *ACTIVITIES IN THE PHYSICAL SCIENCES.* Helen J. Challand. Children's Press, 1984. 93p. $15.93 0-516-00504-9. Almost 100 experiments intended to explain basic principles in physics and chemistry are included.

E+ *ASIMOV'S BIOGRAPHICAL ENCYCLOPEDIA OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY: THE LIVES AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF 1510 GREAT SCIENTISTS FROM ANCIENT TIMES TO THE PRESENT CHRONOLOGICALLY ARRANGED.* 2d ed. Doubleday, 1982. 941p. $39.95 0-385-17771-2. This excellent work covers 1,510 subjects from all time periods.

H *THE ENCYCLOPEDIC DICTIONARY OF SCIENCE.* Candida Hunt, ed. Facts on File, 1988. $29.95 0-8160-2021-3.

H *MCGRAW-HILL DICTIONARY OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL TERMS.* 4th ed. McGraw-Hill, 1989. 2,137p. $95 0-07-045270-9. This is the most important dictionary of scientific and technical terms for high school students.

H	*McGraw-Hill Encyclopedia of Science & Technology*. 6th ed. McGraw-Hill, 1987. 20v. $1,600 0-07-079292-5. All schools that strive to have a first-class academic program in science need this outstanding set.
M+	*More Ideas for Science Projects*. Robert Gardner. Watts, 1989. 144p. $12.90 0-531-10676-4. A second volume of *Science Projects*, which also is recommended, this work suggests projects in several fields, ranging from the simple to the complex.
E	*The Museum of Science and Industry Basic List of Children's Science Books, 1987*. Berniece Richter and Duane Wenzel. American Library Association. Annual. 1987 ed. $8.95 0-8389-0484-X. This annual includes the most interesting science books exhibited by publishers at the Museum's annual book fair.
E, M	*Science Experiments Index for Young People*. Mary Anne Pilger. Libraries Unlimited, 1988. 240p. $35 0-87287-671-3. This work indexes science experiments and demonstrations found in 694 elementary and intermediate science books dating from 1941 through 1988.
E, M	*Science Fair Project Index, 1981-1984*. Cynthia Bishop and Deborah Crowe, eds. Scarecrow, 1986. 692p. $47.50 0-8108-1892-2.
M+	*The Timetable of Science: A Chronology of the Most Important People and Events in the History of Science*. Alexander Hellemans and B. Bunch. Simon & Schuster, 656p. $29.95 0-671-62130-0.
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M+ *AREA HANDBOOK SERIES. FOREIGN AREA STUDIES.* American University for the Dept. of the Army. U.S. Government Printing Office. Dates and prices vary. For a list of available volumes, request a free copy of Subject Bibliography #116 from Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. Each volume covers an individual country.

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H *CAMBRIDGE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF RUSSIA AND THE SOVIET UNION.* Archie Brown, ed. Cambridge University Press, 1982. 492p. $49.50 0-521-23169-8.

H *CAMBRIDGE ENCYCLOPEDIA OF THE MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA.* Trevor Mostyn and Albert Hourani. Cambridge University Press, 1988. 504p. $49.50 0-521-32190-5.

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M+ *Cultural Atlas of Japan.* Martin Collcutt et al. Facts on File, 1988. 240p. $40 0-8160-1927-4.

H *Encyclopedia of the Third World.* Rev. ed. George Thomas Kurian. Facts on File, 1981. 3v. $175/set 0-8160-1118-4. Extensive information—political, economic, educational, and cultural—is included on 115 third world nations.

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M+ *Worldmark Encyclopedia of the Nations.* 6th ed. Moshe Y. Sacks, ed. 5v. Wiley, 1984. $225/set 0-471-88622-X. The book gives the factual and statistical information on all aspects of each nation's economy, politics, geography, culture, population, etc.

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M+ *The Basketball Abstracts.* Dave Heeren. Prentice-Hall, 1988. 232p. $12.95 0-13-069170-4.

M+ *The Baseball Encyclopedia.* 17th ed. Joseph L. Reichler, ed. Macmillan, 1988. 2,875p. $45. This is the standard work on baseball.

M+ *Fieldbook.* 3d ed. Boy Scouts of America, 1989. 630p. $7.95pa. 0-8395-3200-8. Outdoor activities of all types are featured, with emphasis on safety and survival techniques.

E+ *Guinness Sports Record Book.* Sterling. Annual. 1989-90 ed. $17.95 0-8069-6710-2; $11.95pa. 0-8069-6711-0. The superlatives in sports records are listed.

E+ *Illustrated Soccer Dictionary for Young People.* James B. Gardner. Treehouse/Prentice-Hall, 1978. 125p. $2.50 0-13-451146-8.

M+ *The Language of Sports.* Tim Considine. Facts on File, 1983. 355p. $17.95 0-87196-653-0. Over 500 sports terms are covered.

M+ *The Official NBA Basketball Encyclopedia: The Complete History and Statistics of Professional Basketball.* National Basketball Association, 1988. $29.95 0-394-58039-7.

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E+ *Olympic Games: The Records.* Stan Greenberg. Guinness Superlatives; distr. by Sterling, 1988. 176p. $17.95 0-85112-897-1.

M+ *The Rule Book: An Authoritative, Up-to-Date, Illustrated Guide to the Regulations, History, and Objectives of All Major Sports.* The Diagram Group. St. Martin's Press, 1983. 43p. $9.95 0-312-695-76-4. Rules and regulations for all major sports are given.

M+ *The Sports Encyclopedia: Baseball.* 8th ed. David S. Neft and Richard M. Cohen. St. Martin's, 1988. 606p. $15.95pa. 0-312-01828-2.

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